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Students Take Part in Inspire the Next Generation Day

Students on the Shore will have the opportunity to explore possible careers during Inspire the Next Generation Day at the Wallops Flight Facility on April 22.

NASA, along with the Navy's Surface Combat Systems Center (SCSC), the United States Coast Guard, the National Wildlife Refuge Service and the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) are taking part in the annual Inspire the Next Generation Day.

Inspire the Next Generation Day provides children in grades 4 through 12 with the opportunity to see adults working together in a professional work environment and explore careers in the Federal workforce. Eighty-eight children are registered to participate in this year's event.

Students will spend time with their sponsor to learn about daily career responsibilities. Workshops and activities will be held during the day emphasizing careers available with the government and the preparation required for these positions.

The day consists of various activities for children of all interests. Morning activities include: learning about basic rocketry with NASA engineers, a trip to the Chincoteague National Wildlife Refuge, a tour of the NOAA station, learning how local Navy personnel work, or touring aboard a Coast Guard rescue ship.

Afternoon activities include: building a sled kite, a weather balloon launch, a tour of NASA's launch control center, Earth Day activities, touring the rocket facility, global positioning system mapping demonstration, touring a NASA aircraft, Ultra-Long Duration Balloon demonstration, and a NASA tracking station demonstration.

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